



Balancing Biodiversity Conservation with the Demand For Increased OHV Recreation Opportunities

*April 11-12, 2007
San Jose, California*

Off-Highway Vehicular (OHV) use is on the rise. The last 15 years have seen a 1,300 percent increase in SUV street legal 4x4 sales. In the past 5 years, there has been an 85 percent increase in registrations of dirt bikes, and an 87 percent increase in all-terrain vehicle registrations. With the rapidly growing urbanization of California, OHV enthusiasts have fewer places to recreate, while the demand is continuing to grow. This is an exciting opportunity to consider the balance between two goals: To provide sustainable, high-quality recreational opportunities while conserving biodiversity. This issue impacts local, state and federal agencies, and will continue to be an issue that must be addressed in the future.

April 11 Field Tour Agenda

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| 10:30 a.m. | Registration—Wyndham Hotel, Salon A, B, C |
| 11:00 | Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Statewide Overview of OHV Use▪ Intro to Motorcycle County Park and Hollister Hills State Vehicular Recreation Area |
| 11:45 | Board 4WD Vehicles |
| 12 Noon | Depart for Field Tour
Field trip to Motorcycle County Park and Hollister Hills |
| 4:15 p.m. | Depart from Wyndham to dinner location for late arrivals
<i>Meet in Wyndham lobby</i> |
| 5:45 | Social and Presentation at DeRose Vineyards, Hollister
<i>Transportation to the Wyndham provided for those not joining us for dinner.</i>
DeRose Vineyards was founded on land rich in winemaking history. Situated directly above the San Andreas Fault, the winery is one of only a few on Earth to have a major fault line dissecting its main building. Declared a National Natural Landmark, for its strategic positioning, the winery is also the “oldest existing winery” in the State of California. Today |

it produces award-winning Zinfandel, Negrette, Cabernet Franc and Viognier.

6:30

Social & Dinner—Pietra Santa Winery, Hollister

Located in the foothills of the Gabilan Mountains is the 455-acre Pietra Santa Estate. The Valley is literally bisected by the San Andreas Fault, and over the years, the geological evolution has produced soils ideally suited for growing top-quality, internationally acclaimed winegrapes. This spectacular winery, adjacent to Hollister Hills, is also known for its fine olive oil, processed from olive trees terraced among the vines. Pietra Santa is owned by the Blackburn Family, who has been farming in the surrounding area for almost 50 years. They fell in love with the estate because of its beautiful location, superb vineyards, and state-of-the-art winery.

7:15

Russ Ehnes, Executive Director, National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council, Great Falls, Montana

8:15 p.m.

Depart to Wyndham Hotel (arrive 9:15 p.m.)

April 12 Agenda

8:00 a.m.

Registration—Wyndham Hotel, Salon A, B, C

8:30 - 9:00

Council Business

9:00 - 9:10

Opening Remarks—Why we all need to be involved

Mike Chrisman and Mike Pool, CBC Co-Chairs

9:10 - 9:20

Summary of Field Tour

Christine Nota, CBC Executive Committee Chair

9:20 - 9:40

Background—Who, What and How Many

Phil Jenkins, Division Chief, California State Parks, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division

9:40 - 9:50

Break

9:50 - 11:40

Conversation on Problems and Issues

Facilitated by Lisa Beutler, California State University, Sacramento, Center for Collaborative Policy

Audubon Society—Heath Wakelee, Vice President, Sierra Foothills Audubon Society

California State Parks, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division—Kathy Dolinar, District Superintendent, Ocotillo Wells District

Parks and Natural Resources Management, Yolo County—Julia McIver, Parks Director

San Diego Off-Road Coalition, Jim McGarvie, Board Member and Past President

USDA Forest Service—Marlene Finley, Director of Recreation

USDOI Bureau of Land Management—Rick Cooper, Field Manager, Hollister Field Office

11:40 - 12:00 **Summary and Vision**—Daphne Greene, Deputy Director, California State Parks, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division

Noon - 1:00 p.m. **Lunch** (on site)

1:00 - 3:00 **Balancing OHV Use and Conservation of Biodiversity**
Facilitated by Lisa Beutler, California State University, Sacramento, Center for Collaborative Policy

California State Parks, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division—Andy Zilke, District Superintendent, Oceano Dunes District

Conservation Planning Coalition—Rick Guidice

Friends of the Inyo Forest—Paul McFarland, Executive Director

Off-Road Business Association—Fred Wiley, Director

Santa Clara County Parks—Lisa Killough, Director

US Fish & Wildlife Service—Steve Henry, Assistant Field Supervisor

USDA Forest Service—Jim Peña, Deputy Regional Forester

USDOI Bureau of Land Management—Roxie Trost, Field Manager, Barstow Field Office

3:00 - 3:30 **Action Items—Wrap Up**